

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1332

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## A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Dakota Crews, 2008 Valedictorian of Lewis County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Dakota Crews is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Lewis County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Crews has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Dakota Crews has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional young man has earned numerous other accolades; he earned the A.F. Bridges Scholarship, was named Mr. LCHS, and was voted Most Likely to Succeed; and

WHEREAS, a gifted athlete, Mr. Crews has been a member of the school football team, earning numerous awards. He was named Mr. Football Class 2AA Lineman, the Most Valuable Player Linebacker, the Region Defensive Most Valuable Player, the Team Defensive Most Valuable Player, and the 2007 Booster Club Player of the Year; won the Panther Pride Award; and earned a place on the 2006 and 2007 All-State teams and on the All-Region team; and

WHEREAS, an esteemed leader among his peers, Dakota Crews has served with distinction as Vice-President of the Junior Class; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in his school's activities and his community's affairs, Mr. Crews has been a member of several academic, social, and civic organizations, including

the Beta Club, the Science Club, the Intramural Club, Health Occupations Students of America, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Prom Committee, and the Yearbook Staff; and

WHEREAS, he has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, and he volunteers his time and considerable talents to worthy causes, including Special Olympics and Operation Christmas Child; he also has volunteered as a Youth Music Leader; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crews's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Dakota Crews's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Jeff and Laurie Crews, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crews's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Lewis County High School Valedictorian, Dakota Crews, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.